fhousands of persons who lined the Neverly prospect and the approaches to the Nicholas R. R. sintion view with the highest persons in the empire in giving vent to expressions of confidence in the new commander, who is to lead the Emperor's armies to vistory.

Medestly and without the accompaniment of music or escort, the general drove to the station in fan open carriage. His passage down the broad beulevard was followed by a nform of cheers, which graw louder as the crowd graw denser near the station. Here the enthusiasm broke out into mighty shouts.

As General Kuropatkin reached the head of the stairs, General Eggrestoff, white haired and trembling with enotion, presented him with a small image of Alexis. General Kuropatkin then stepped forward. His strong personality was strikingly illustrated in the way he moved through the room. His grizzled beard and plereing eyes suggested a resemblance to Grant. He greeted all present, embracing and kissins old comrades and shaking hands with officers.

The Korean minister to Russia, who was present, was as enthusiastic as any Russian, and seemed to regard General Kuropatkin as the saviour of his country. He pushed and struggled hard to get near enough to shake the general's hand and wish him every success. Several ladies who were present could be trefrain from kissing the here of the hour, and the attention of which he gallantly reciprocated. As the train slowly gathered headway every voice in the vast multitude broke out into a roar of cheers and blessings.

#### MANY PAPS LANDED.

They Are in Korea, But None Are in Manchu-

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERBURG, March 12.—A telegram received from General Zhlinsky, General Kuropatkin's shief of staff, says that according to reports published in Korear newspapers, 13,000 Japanese have landed at Chinampo, Korea, and sro marching to Ping Yang. Five hundred Japanese are said to have landed at Kleng-Sieng, on the northeast coast of Korea, and 2,000 other Japanese, who reached Kleng-Sieng before this detachment of 500, have started, marching along the coast to Sieng Jin, Koreans from the points named, however, deny emphatically the reports of the landing at Kleng-Siers.

All is quiet at Port Arthur and Vladivotok, There are no Japanese troops anywhere in Manchuria, and only small patrols of the enemy are to be seen in northern Korea.

#### PORT ARTHUR SUFFERS.

Shells Bursting in the Streets Demolish Houses and Kill Women.

(By Associated Press.)
PORT ARTHUR. Friday, March 11.—
Lost night passed without incident. The
Japanese squadron, which disappeared
after Thursday's bombardment and unstan fight has not returned. The Rusian squadron proceeded to sea this morning ond returned this afternoon. It is understood that no Japanese ships were

although during the bombardment a number or shells from the Jupanese ships burst in the sreets of the town, the damage to the buildings was comparatively slight.

slight.

The new town sustained the greatest damage. A shell burst a few yards from the house of M. Sidorski, a lawyer, whose wife is a daughter of Colonel Baron Frank, M. Sidorski and his daughter were killed on the spot, the latter's head being blown off. Mme. Sidorski was injured by fragments of the shell, and a gir, named Weleritch was wounded and died soon afterwards in a hospital.

A Chinaman was killed and several Chinamen were wounded. General Stoessel, the commander of the Russian troops at Porf Arthur, and his staff, wille watching the bombardment from a battery, were peppered by splinters from a shell, bit sustained no injuries.

On Golden Hill, Lieutenant Wachtin

shell, bit susttained no injuries. On Golden Hill. Lieutenant Wachtin and one soldier were wounded . Two sentries on Electric Cliff were

wounded.

A Japanese iron-clad was struck by
a Russian shell and slowly withdrew.
The bombardment, which was severe,
only ceased at 12:46 in the afternoon.

#### WARLIKE AT SEOUL.

Koreans See Preparations Being Made Hourly for Coming Conflicts.

(By Associated Press.)
SEOUL, March 12.—Detachments of Rorean soldlers marching up and down the main streets in the neighborhood of the palace at all hours of the day and evening, give an air of martial activity to this city. But few Japanese soldlers remain hore. All have sone north, and evening, give an air of marias activity to this city. But few Japanese soldiers remain here. All have gone north, and the foreign legations continuo to be guarded by marines. The American location has thirty-five men on duty in the grounds and others are quartered at American business houses for the sake of better accommodations. Foreigners, however, feel perfectly safe, although there is more real business activity at Chemulpo.

The Japanese authorities treat foreigners very courtecusty, and have just given American Minister Allen permission to go to the front with a passage on a transport to Chinampo, where he is expected to arrive to-day.

War preparations continue here methodically, while about 30,600 Koreans pursue their normal every day life free from excitement. The funeral of the late Empress Dowager will take place on Monday next.

Japs Lose a Trooper.

(By Associated Press.)

BEOUL, Friday, March 11,—An engagement took place on the 8th instant be tween Russian and Japanese cavalry scouts near Kasan, lifty-seven miles north of Pyang Yarg. One Japanese trooper was killed during the fight. The Russians eventually retired. The engagement referred to in the

# March

April May
There is a best time for doing everything—that is, a time when a thing can be done to the best advantage, most easily and most effectively. Now is the best time for purifying your blood. Why? Because your system is now trying to purify it—you know this by the pimples and other eruptions that have come on your face and body.

#### Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Are the medicines to take-they do the work thoroughly and agreeably.

Accept no substitute. "BERRY'S FOR CLOTHES."

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## THE EARLY BIRD GETS FIRST PICK.

Here are the suits we brought over from last season, for spring, They look as fresh and new as if they came from the tailor yesterday. Many of them are identical with some of this season's styles. All are sufficiently near to pass muster almost anywhere -but they must succumb to the bargain toboggan-must slide out of the way of the incoming aggregation of new things, WE'VE GIVEN THEM A LIVELY START TOWARDS YOU -a very few dollars will coax them into your service now.

Last Season's Fine \$15 and \$9.75 \$12.50 Spring Suits, now

Last Season's Handsome \$20.00 and \$18.00 \$ 12.50 Spring Suits, now = - - = = - - \$12.50

TOP COATS, SCARYS, SHIRTS, HATS, SHOES and many SUITS for the new spring,

O. H. BERRY & CO.,

above dispatch is possibly the same as the one reported from Tokto under date of March 10th, which, however, mode no mention of casualties.

#### WHAT TIEN TSIN HEARS.

Another Account of Bombardment-Correspondents Not Welcomed.

(By Associated Press.) TIEN TSIN, March 12.—The first credi-

olo reports of the effect of the bombardment of Port Arthur from midnight on Wednesday to past noon Thursday last, which have been received here, ar-rived to-day. Eye witnesses say that the Japanese fre, which was indifferent in previous attacks, showed marvelous ac-curacy. The fire came from the direction of Pirson Bay, where the Russians curacy. The fire came from the direction of Pigeon Bay, where the Russians reported sighting double the previous number of Japanese vessels, and it is supposed that transports of various kinds accompany the fiest. It is reported that the Retvizan, which, it is understood was then inside the entrance of the harbor, was struck several times and that there were featilizes among the crew. It is also was struck several times and that there were fatalities among the crew. It is also said that the Golden Hill forts were badly damaged and that there were many casualties among the remaining non combatants in the new town, which suffered most. One building in the rear of the war burgau was destroyed, and elsewhere a shell annihilated an entire

The Russians are suppressing the circulation of foreign newspapers, and any person suspected of being a correspondent is ordered out of their lines.

## JAPAN'S WAR FUND.

Patriotic Citizens Subscribe to It Four Times Over.

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, March 12.-Practically complete igures, with Formoza and some districts figures, with Formoza and some districts of Japan missing, show that the first issue of the 100,000,000 yan of exchequer war bonds has been subscribed four and one-half times. The subscriptions recorded by the Bank of Japan amounts to 450,000,000 yen. This proves the correctness of the preliminary estimate that the government would be able to raise 500,000,000 yen or war purposes from domestic sources. mestic sources.
The cabinet and elder statesmen con-

The cabinet and elder statesmen conferred for four hours to-day. They discussed the financial situation and the war tax measures to be submitted to the special session of the Diet, and decided to realize \$25,000,000 by postponing the government undertakings and \$35,000,000 by a war tax. It is understood that a plan extending the government tobacco monopoly, so as to include manufactured tobacco, and the creation of a sait monopoly, was considered. Russia's extersive military programme makes an extension of Japan's financial programme extension of Japan's financial programme imperative, so the monopoly measures possibly may be submitted to the spe-cial session of the Diet.

### British Are Very Kind.

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(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, March 12.—Sir Claude McDonaid, the British minister to Japan, through Admiral Bridge, to-day tendered the Navy Department the use of the naval hospital ship at Yokohama for the treatment of sick and wounded sallors. Vice Admiral Yamamoto, minister of the navy, gratefully accepted the offer on behalf of the Japanese.

### AMATEUR DRAMA.

Will Celebrate Completion of New Water Works. &

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WEST POINT, March 1.—The entertainment given at Masonic Hall last night
for the henofit of the Public School Library
was a great success from every point of for the hencilt of the Public School Library was a great success from every point of view. It opened with a play in one act, "A Rose and a Thorn." The dramatic personnel were Misses Inez Palmer, Mattie Lewis and Myrtle Carr. A drill of small boys and girls and "the Bootblack's drill" were specially enjoyable.

At a recent meeting of the Chelsea Lodge, No. 59, Knights of Pythlas, the chancellor commander, A. Julian Bagby, presented H. I. Lewis, past chancellor commander, in behalf of this order, a very handsome ring, inlaid with symbolic emilems.

Mr. I last very section of the chancellor of the light of this order, a case before the his emilems.

in connection with the nomination. York Democrats it is anything to beat Hearst, It is not believed in New York, according to visitors to Washington from that State, there is any danger of Mr. Hearst's capturing the delegation from the Empire State, but it has been made the determination of the leaders to make it absolutely certain that such an event is impossible.

"Get Together."

The speeches made at the banquet of the Virginia Association here on the third of the present month have created more interest than any of the uterances of public men in a long time. "Get to-gether" was the central idea of all the adgether' was the central idea of all the average dresses, and it was presented in a way that has attracted the attention of the entire country. The Louisville Courier's Journal said in the course of an editorial article a few days ago that the speeches of Senator Daniel and others were

article a few days ago that the species of Senator Daniel and others were of more importance than any utterances of any State convention in a long while. Representative Rivey said the other day that he would like to see Senator Daniel nominated to the presidency. The declaration has caused comment and elicited the fact that there are many Democrate in each branch of Congress w'o would like to see the convention do that yery thing. I do not risk, anything in saying that Senator Daniel is the most popular senator on the Democratic side, and, perhaps, the most popular on either side. He has steadily grown since he entered the Senate nearly cighteen years ago, until he is now in a position of influence such as few men attain. Virginia has never had a representative in the United States Senate who was more beloved by his colleagues, nor one more honored and respected. Senator Daniel occupies a peculiar position among senators, in that he is held in affectionate esteem by all of them, while the rest are centerally only more or less. fectionate esteem by all of them, while the rest are generally only more or less

#### Ice Bailey's Opinion.

Joe Bailey's Opinion.

Senator Bailey said only recently that he had rather see Senator Daniel made President than any other Democrat. He never loses opportunity to express his admiration for the character of the senior senator from Virginia.

The time has not yet come when a Southern man can be elected to the presidency, in the opinion of the wisest men in the party, the New York Sun to the contrary notwithstanding, it having recently taken occasion to differ with this view, which I expressed in this correspondence some days ugo. If it was thought that an ex-Confederate soldier could be elected President of the United States, there is no doubt that Senator Daniel, the most propinent and most pepular ex-Confederate Democrat in the United States, would be a leading candidate for the nomination.

But the time has not yet come when Southern Democrats are expected to

But the time has not yet come when Southerh Democrats are expected to aspire to the highest office in the country. They are allowed to pay pensions to Northern soldiers and vote for Northern and Western men for the presidency. Sonator Balley has recently been mentioned in connection with the presidential nomination. A delegation waited on him and informed him that it would be very gratifying to them if he would allow them to vote for him at the St. I.ouis Convention.

"Gentlemen," said Balley, when the spokesman of the delegation had finished. "on the wall of my office in Galnesville there hangs a picture of Jefferson Davis."

rerson Davis."
His reply made a lengthy speech to show the idleness of talk of nominating him entirely unnecessary.

# CONTROL POLITICS

Lodge, No. 68, Knights of Pythias, the chancellor commander, A. Julian Bagity, presented H. L. Lewis, past chancellor commander, in behalf of this order, a vary handeome rise, initial with symbolic commander, in behalf of this order, a vary handeome rise, initial with symbolic commander, in behalf of this order, a vary handeome rise, initial with symbolic commander, in behalf of the rings and responded in his haptest vein.

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the law of man. They seemed to think it an act of apostacy to go counter to the church rules oven in obeying the aws of the land.

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Edmunds-Tucker Act.

Then came the Edmunds-Tucker act, which made adultery an offense and provided a heavy penalty for volations. We began to prosecute polygamists for adultery. The cases were pressed hard, and then the people began to promise to obey the law; for they were poor, could not pay the fines, and consequently it became generally reported that the practice of polygamous living was breaking up." He said there was a disposition not to prosecute cases when the law generally was obeyed, but that after the manifesto it was seen the Mormons had returned to their old practice. He said that was evident from the new 'crops of, children' from polygamous families which, continued to spring up. In the cross-examination, Mr. Vancott brought out a great deal of testimony regarding church influence for the election of Reed Smoot for the Senate, and Judge Hiles stated positively;

"Mr. Smoot could not have been elected to the United States Senate if his fandled had not been approved by the Mormon Church."

"Do you mean that if Mr. Smoot had been a lay member of the church that he would not have been elected, or that if he had been an apostle and had not the endorsement of his quorum he could not have been elected."

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without being ar apostle and without the consent of the church."

Mr. Vancoti asked the witness how he accounted in view of the testimony he had given, for the Mormons sending non-Mormons to the Borate.

Rawling Mormon, "How about Joseph L. Rawlins?" he sked. "He is not a Mormon." "Joseph L. Rawlins? Oh, yes, he is

Mormon."
"What! Rawling a Mormon?" "He was born into the church, of Mor-non parentage."

"He was born into the church, of Mormon parentage."
"But, surely, you do not mean to say that because a man is born of Mormon parentage he is always a Mormon?"
"Pretty close to it."
The witness said his basis for believing that plygginy was more flagrant since Utah was admitted as a State was that more polygamous children were believ believed that plygginy was more flagrant since Utah was admitted as a State was that more polygamous children were believed believed the west of questions, to find out if Judge Hiles knew whether there had been any polygamous marriages since the manifesto, and he said he did not. Witness said he believed that such marriages had taken place.

had taken place.

Mr. Taylor stated that they had a great deal of evidence to offer that plural marriages had taken place since the manifesto There being no other witnesses to examine, the committee adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

Mr. Slaughter Very III. Mr. Slaughter very III.

Mr. J. T. Slaughter, Sr., who has been
III for the past three weeks. Hes at
the point of death at his residence. No.
510 North Twenty-fourth Street. All relatives have been summoned to his bedside,
as the doctors have given up all hope.
His son, Mr. J. T. Slaughter, Jr., arried yesterday in time to receive the last
s. Le from his father, Just before
he sank into unconsciousness.

To Attend the Funeral. The Knights of Pythias will meet with Gormania Lodge, No. 15, this evening to attend the funeral of their brother member, Carl Wippermann. Section No. 18, of the Endowment Rank, will also be present. The lodge will meet at 2:30 P. M.

## UNCLE SAM TO GET PANAMA VERY SOON

Attorney Cromwell, of the Canal Company, to Bring Officials Back From France.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 12.-William Nelson Cromwell, counsel for the Panama Canal Company, sailed for France today on the steamship New York to ar-range for the final transfer of the proper-ties and records of the company to this

## **TIDEWATER** RAILWAY

The Mystery Surrounding the Projection of This Road Is Cleared Away.

COAL FIELDS TO NORFOLK

Road Being Built for Best Traffic Conditions-No Subscriptions Asked or Bonds Sold.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) STAUNTON, VA., March 12.—The folowing information as to the movements of the Tidewater Railway Company, an enid and about which little is known, is obtained from an authoritative source:

On the morning of February 22d, en gingering parties numbering near one hundred and fifty men took the field, with complete equipment, along the waters of the New and Roanoke Rivers, in the counties of Giles, Montgomery and Ronnoke more, of Tennessee, as chief, and Mr. D. pal assistant engineer, and proceeded to survey and locate a line of railway from the West Virginia line on New River near Penrisburg to the vicinity of Ronnoke. This work has been prosecuted with all the dispatch consistent with proper results. THE CHARTER

A charter had been obtained on the 20th, from the Corporation Commission, by Messrs. Ranson & Ranson, of Staunton, who are counsel for the company in this State, this organization being the acquence of investments made in West Virginia properties in recent years by clients of theirs, which have prospered aboved any expectations, under the geneclients of theirs, which have prospered beyond any expectations, under the general management, advice and supervision of Major William N. Page, of Ansted. Fayette county, He is a Virginian, from near Lynchburg, well known to Richmond people, where he married a daughter of General Gliham, who has worked his way to the front rank of his profession in this country as a civil and mining enginer and who has, perhaps, contributed as much as any living man to the intelligent development of the mineral resources, of the two Virginias. He is familiar with railway construction and operation in every detail, and has undertaken to assume the presidency of this company, the vistance of which is entirely due to his every detail, and has undertaken to assume the presidency of this company, the sexistence of which is entirely due to his exertions. PRESENT ORGANIZATION.

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The present organization consists of Thomas D. Ranson, president: Wm. H. Landes, vice-president: Henry A. Walker, treasurer, and J. Baldwin Ranson, secrejary. These gentlemen with Aristo Hoge. L. W. H. Peyton and Charles M. East, all Staunton stockholders, composing the directory for the time being, in aid of more convenient corporate action at that point, which was preferred by parties largely interested, as the location of the comeany's headquarters.

interested, as the location of the com-pany's headquarters.

The primary capitalization is only nom-inal for the construction of more than three hundred and thirty miles of rail-road, but there will be no trouble on this

MONEY IN PLENTY.

The money will be forthcoming as fast as needed. No subscriptions are asked from counties or cities, and it is not expected to issue any bonds—a new departure in rallway building. All construction is to be of the best and most substituted between much of it, by reason. expected to issue any bonds parture in railway building. All construction is to be of the best and most substantial character, much of it, by reason to topographical difficulties, quite expensive. An eighty-five pound steel rail will be used, with heavy ballasting. The grade and alignment will receive such attention as to secure the best roudway for heavy traffic that can be built, and for this the route selected affords advantages so exceptional that it must sooner have been made available but for the greater activity of conflicting interests and the magnitude of the enterprise in itself.

For many years the valley of the Roanoke has been recognized by engineers as the natural low grade route from the Alieghanies to the sea, rendering practicable a twenty-foot maximum, and such a road has been the hope of the Southwest, Southside and Tidewater counties of Virginia for solving the questions of cheap coal for industrial and domestic uses and easy transit for their products.

MILLIONS IN IT.

What its construction means to the southern counties of the State in immediate expenditure and later developments, can hardly be realized. And the direct increase of taxable values to the State may within three years, the time estimated for its completion and equipment, reach many millions.

That it also means something to two entablished systems of railway, practically one in interest, which look upon it as early belong-

That it also means something to two entablished systems of railway, practically one in interest, which look upon it as an invasion of territory naturally belonging to thom, especially in the matters of coal and lumber, appears from the determined opposition which they have interposed to its progress at every step, an example of which is now being afforded in the attempt to block its passage at the city of Roanolte.

The capitalists interested have been saured of a hearty welcome all through southern Virginia, and were much encouraged by the conservative settlement of the measures recently pending before the Virginia Legislature, affecting rights of passage and the regulation of public service corporations, They wish to adhere to their route as originally proposed,

IS IT CURABLE?

A Question Often Asked by Those Affilloted With Piles.
Is a strained joint curable? Is local
inflammation curable? Of course, if properly treated. So is piles.
People often become afflicted with piles
and ask some old "circulo" who has always porsisted in the wrong treatment
and naturally he discourage them by
tolling them that their case is hopeless.
They in turn discourage others, and thus
a disease that can in every case be cured
by careful and skillful handling is allowed to sap the energy of thousands
who might free themselves of the trouble
in a few days.
Pyramid Pile Cure will cure the most
asgravated case of hemorrholds in an astonishingly short time. It relieves the
congested purts, reduces the inmors instantly, no matter how large, allays the
inflammation, and stops the aching or
itching at once.
Thousands who have resorted to expensive surgical treatment have been cured
by the Pyramid Pile Cure—ir a number
of instances persons who had spent
months in a hospital under a pile specialist.
It is a remedy that none need four to
apply, even to the most aggravated
swellen and inflamed hemorrholdal tumors.
If you are afflicted with this stubbara

Sterling Silver, Rich Cut Glass. Bric-W-Brac. Chafing Dish Sets, Chop Sets, Carving Sets. Fish Sets, Game Sets and Dinner Sets

Wedding, Gifts,

In all the latest patterns for

- at -The E. B. Taylor

Company's Stores, 1011 East Main. 9 East Broad.

ATTEND THE SPECIAL SALE Fine China, Cut=Glass and Bric-a-Brac

At 1011 E. Main and 9 E. Broad.

We also mention a few small articles for this week.

Decorated China Suled Bowls and Cake Plates, 25c, and 35c, 15c

Thin Decorated China Tea Cups and Saucers, \$2.50 a dozen kind, 15c Blown Table Tumblers, 75c. 4c

Decorated China Egg Cups, \$1 6c

Decorated China Egg Cups, 40c. 2c

Decorated Custord Cups, 500. 3c

Decorated Oyster Bowls, \$1.25 7c

If met in a friendly spirit, such as the citizens of Roanoke are now evincing.

THE ROUTE.

To outline this briefly: Connecting at and near the State boundary with lines of the Deepwater Railway, a West Virginia corporation, owned to a considerable extent by parties interested in this, and which has been located for some ninety miles directly through one of the best coal areas in this country, and now under rapid construction, and with several other western connections available, the Tidewater tracks will follow the trough of New River, up the east side, through the county of Giles to the mouth of Tom's Creek, in Montgomery, and from that point along the waters of Tom's Creek to and across the divide, near Blacksburg, and in the suithracite fields now on the eve of development, to the north fork of Roanoke River; with that to its junction with the south fork, and thence down the north side of the Roanoke, through Montgomery and Roanoke counties, to Dry Branch, where the Norfolk and Western crosses to the north side, and where the new road will take the south side of Roanoke River.

THE BISLIT LINE. Roanoke River. THE BELT LINE

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THE BELT LINE.

It was the purpose to continue on that side, an ideal grade for heavy freights, with a passenger branch or spur running into the city of Ronnoke, but the narrow passway between the river and the bluffs has been taken up by the right of way for a belt line, which was projected partly around the city some fourteen years ago by the Norfolk and Western Rallway Company, but never built.

As soon, however, as the Tidewater engineers had established their line through the defile, necessarily interfering with the abandoned right of way of the Norfolk and Western that company discovered the necessity for its use, and tearing up the stakes and putting on day and night forces of several hundred men, effected the laying of a track which exclusively—occupies the pass. Whereupon the people of the city have taken up the matter and undertaken to afford a passage through the corporate limits, in which case the north side of the Roanoke or Staunon River may be followed down further, depending somewhat upon the comparative cost of rights of way on the two sides, either being avalable.

And so of the route below, the charter giving the right to take either side of any stream and to pass through the counties of Franklin. Bedford, Lunenburg, Nottoway. Brunswick, Dinwiddle, Greenesville, Sussex, Southampton, Isle of Wight, Nansemond and Norfolk to harborago at or near the city of Norfolk.

a long belt of Virginia counties now without such facilities as it will afford. Its construction will mark a new of prosperity in that section.

#### MAPLE SUGAR-MAKERS.

Contract Awarded for a New Hotel at Monterey.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MONTERBY, VA., March 12.—The sugar season, though somewhat belated, opened up in fine shape early, in the week, and the usual bustle and hurry necessary to save the lusclous flow is now the order of the day on many a Highland plantation. The prespect for a long season, however, is not propitious, as the present date is regarded as a late one for the opening. Whether due to the prolonged and continuous freezing or to prolonged and continuous freezing or to other causes, the water is said to be un-sually swes, and from two different camps your correspondent has the re-port of one gullon of syrup from thirty-five gallons of water. Simall offerings of the confectioner's stamp are beginning to

the confoctioner's stamp are beginning to come in.

Arbogart Brothers, with several assistants, have this week been engaged in remodeling the telephone lines in town and removing the central station from the fall building to the Shumate House, near the public spring.

A mischlevous, thoughtless boy, a tin bucket, gravels, a big, worthless, delinquent dog and two runaway teams were the chief attractions on Main Street for about five minutes yesterday morning, and brought out nearly the entire population. The result: Two brotten wagons, two mad farmers, a scared boy and, a dog gone, nobody knows where.

Mr. S. W. Crummett has a force of hands clearing the site for his new hotel. The contract has been awarded to Eutsler Brothers, of Augusta county.

Mr. Harper Beverage, the young Highlander who had his log terribly crushed in the West Virginia lumbor woods seven months ago, was in town yesterday on crutches, but with the injured limb intext and improving.

# PEANUT TRAIN LOAD.

## JOS. WILLARD IS OUT FOR GOVERNORSHIP

tion as a member of the House of Delse gates from Fairfax county, and was three times re-elected, practically with-

out opposition.

The Norfolk Convention put him on the theat with Governor offiningue for Lieutenant-Governor in 1991, over the late

Lieutenant-Governor in 1901, over the late Dr. George W. LeCato, of Accomac, who was a strong man, but the convention fairly lionized Willard, and nominated him before the roll-call was completed.

As presiding officer of the Senate, he has added to his reputation, and it is a matter of history that while having to deal with all the intricate questions arising out of new constitutional conditions, he has never yet been over-ruled on a question, nor has any one ever, aptions, he has never yet been over-ruled on a question, nor has any one ever appealed from his decisions. It is on: going too far to say that Captain Willard has ondeared himself to the entire Senate by his fair and intelligent rulings, and such men as Harding Walker, Keszell, Wickham, Mollwaine, Anderson and others are loud in their praise of his efficiency as presiding officer.

#### Democratic of Manner.

While not an orator in the sense that Braxon is, Capiain Williard is a smooth and attractive public speaker, and can-vessed the entire tSate in 1801 to fine ef-

constituents. constituents.

He has been diligent and faithful in his attendance upon the sessions of the Scente, and while having great private interests to claim his attention, has

ever permitted them to contravene his public duties.

When the Smish-American war broke out Captain Wilard organized and equipped, at his own expense, a company in his native county of Fairfux, and was by appointment of the President attached to General Fitz Lee's

In the convention of 1897, which was In the convention of 1881, which was held at Roanoke, the entire Fairfax county delegation were the guests of Captain Willard, having traveled up in a private car and stopped at the Hotel Roanoke at his expense.

Is a Clean Man. He has a strong following among the young men of the State; and is known to be a clean, high Virginia gentleman, who stands for the prosperity and development of the old Commonwealth on

velopment of the old Commonwealth of every issue.

While yet less than forty years of age, there are but two men connected with the Legislature, who outrank the young Lieutenant-Governor in point of service. These are Senator Wickham and Speaker John F. Ryan. Messrs, Boaz and Keezell eams into the Legislature ahead of Captain Willard, but their service has been broken by interims, when they did not desire to come back. People who are good judges of politics are saying that Willard is a most formidable candidate

#### for Governor this time. ESCAPE OF PRISONER UNDER MURDER CHARGE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CH. RLUTTE, N. C., March 13.—Charley Campbell, the slayer of "Sliver Creek Sam" Pearson, escaped from jail last night at Newton. He had been brought for safe-keeping from Morganion. Since he had been placed in prison, he had been pretending to be very slok, and many favors were shown him. Last night just after dark the door of the corridor where he was confined was either left open or he picked the lock and escaped. It is generally regarded as a dever trick, well nianned and successfully carried out.
The details of the killing of Pearson are well known, Campbell having shot him down in a saloon in Morganion, seemingly in cold blood.

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The meeting of the Christian Bunday School Association, postponed from last Sunday, will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the Marshall Street Christian Church, meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Association will be held this afternoon at the Randolph Street Church, whe election of officers will take place, and reports will be received.

Sermon to Druids To-night. Rev. G. Otls Mead, of Christ Church, will preach a special sermon to Druids to-night. The members of the order will assemble at Powell's Hall and murch to the church.

Pickett Auxiliary.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of George E. Picliett Camp, C. V., will hold their monthly meeting Monday in Pickett Camp Hall No. 307 North Seventh Street. Every member is earnestly requested to attend. Miss Lillie May Halloway, of No. 2306 Venable, who has been extremely ill for the past two weeks, is improving slowly, Mr. Byrd Chamberlayne, who has been confused to his bed for several weeks, continues quite sick,

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